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*Light up!
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Christmas
light
judging
Thursday
evening*



SNOWMEN ARE MIGHTY SCARCE THIS YEAR, and this fellow was warmly received when he popped in to visit at the Community Choir's Christmas Concert.

Community Choir shares the gift of music

Elk Point Community Choir filled the Elk Point Elementary School gymnasium with music last week, at two performances of their annual Christmas Concert. Close to fifty voices strong, the Choir is in its eighth year together and delight in sharing their gift of song with the community.

The first set of numbers by the choir included new numbers "Something Told the Wild Geese" and "Lovely Sky of Christmas Eve" as well as something more familiar. "Three Songs for Christmas" was a medley which combined old favorites "Angels We Have Heard on High," "Bring The Torch, Jeannette, Isabella" and "What Child is This?" The set wound up with a traditional French carol, "The Drum Carol," with Udo Mueller doing the honors on drums, Shane Rebryna playing the finger cymbals and Linda Peters the cymbals.

Rebryna returned to the spotlight for the first solo of the evening, singing "Ring the Bells" with the accompaniment of his mother, Lesley Rebryna. Shane competed in the Alberta Music Association Finals this summer, where he won top honors for boys 16 and under.

A quartet made up of Udo Mueller, Don Conrad, Garry Townsend and Don Buryr was accompanied by Gabe Bayduza on piano in the lovely "Star of the East."

The duo of Laurie Keichinger and Shaun Sheplawy entertained with a powerful rendition of "O Holy Night" before the entire choir once again took the stage.

"The Wind Beneath My Wings" was accompanied by Lesley Rebryna, then Deanna Easthope returned to the piano to accompany a rousing "Frosty the Snowman," with Shane Rebryna on the bells and Udo Mueller on the Chinese Temple Blocks helping to welcome an elusive visitor this year: the choir's very own snowman, who pranced around visiting the audience before melting right out the door.

"Hurry, Hurry to Bethlehem" was sung a capella, then the ladies left the stage for the men's presentation of "We Three Kings of Orient Are."

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First Night features new venues and new activities

Plans for Elk Point's fourth annual First Night Festival are growing by the minute, with new venues and new activities added to the lineup this year to provide even more fun for the whole family's enjoyment on Wednesday, December 31 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m..

New venues are the Fairgrounds Arena, where, weather permitting, the Elk Point and District Lions Club will kick off the celebration with a Sled Fun Run for the snowmobile enthusiasts. However, the Lions say, "no

snow, no go." If you're planning to attend this event, by all means, think snow.

Heritage Lodge is also in the lineup this year, and is planning entertainment and visiting with the residents during the afternoon.

The A. G. Ross Arena is the hub of many activities for the Festival, with horse-drawn wagon rides and, if we have snow by then, dogsled rides from 2 to 4 p.m., as well as family skating, craft sessions for kids with Debbie Leckie, and cookies and a quilt draw cour-

tesy of the Red Cross. Popcorn the Clown will be visiting the arena for a session of games on ice, and will also drop in at Parkview Extended Care, Heritage Lodge and the Curling Rink.

Also at the Curling Rink will be free family curling during the afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m.

Elk Point Health Centre and Parkview Extended Care are inviting the public to visit their residents and patients, play cards and enjoy refreshments from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

Elk Point Municipal Library

will be showing family movies in their program room.

The Seniors Recreation Centre has a long lineup of entertainment in the offing from 2 to 4 p.m., including old-time fiddlers Homer Poitras and Walter Anderson, Elk Point Ukrainian Dancers, the Heffernan Family, the Sharkey Orchestra, Elk Point Toe Tappers and Rob Holliday. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

The afternoon and evening of fun will end with a grand finale of fireworks north of the

arena at 7 p.m.

All events other than the Sled Fun Run are free of charge.

Early Deadline

Due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays, our deadlines for the next two weeks will be 12:00 noon Wednesday for all advertising and copy.

Next week's issue will be out on Monday, Dec. 22 to allow delivery before Christmas day.



EXTRAVAGANZA BUCKS WINNERS -- Garrett Duffee (right) was the \$200 winner and Dustin Costyk took home \$100 in Elk Point Bucks after the Elk Point Christmas Extravaganza, December 5. The big winner of \$300 Elk Point Bucks was Rocky Pilisko (not shown). Enjoy your shopping, boys!

Coloring Contest winners

Winners from the Christmas Extravaganza Coloring Contest have been announced. Lisa Shankowski won the 5 and Under category, with Lisa Kozicky winning in the 6 to 8 age group and Kristy Myshaniuk in the 9 to 12 age group. Congratulations, girls, and thanks for entering.

Changes coming for garbage handling

Changes are coming in Elk Point's handling of household waste. Town Council gave first reading last week to a new garbage bylaw, which covers all aspects of the care and handling of waste materials. The bylaw is expected to take effect early in the New Year.

One major change is that all of Elk Point's residential garbage will be picked up in front of the residences. Front pickup means less plowing of alleys in winter and tidier alleys all year round, Council felt. Another change is that containers such as garbage cans or bins are not needed. As in the previous bylaw, all garbage must be securely bagged and bags cannot weigh over 60 pounds. Animal waste must be packaged separately from other garbage.

Another item on last week's agenda also dealt with waste, this time a problem which has arisen with the upgrading of the town's sewage lagoon. The project is now close to two months behind schedule on completion, and a meeting between Public Works, the Town Manager and the contractor has been scheduled to

discuss the delay.

Other items to come before Council included the Town's plans for annexation of adjoining land. Town Council will meet with their County counterparts early in the new year for the next round of discussion.

The Town's 1998 budget will be reviewed before the end of December, once all the departments have their operational budgets completed.

Council agreed to support

the nomination of Mayor Ed Buck as a candidate for Northern Alberta Development Council membership.

The Town will start off the new year with a holiday for their workers. Town staff will have January 2 off, giving the workers a second four day weekend. The Town office will close at 3 p.m. on Christmas Eve, December 24 and will reopen for business on Monday, December 29.

Have a Fire Safe Christmas

The chances of destructive home fires are high during the Christmas season.

Christmas can be a busy time of year, and all it takes is a forgotten moment to start a fire--

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From the FCSS desk...

All right... who kidnapped the snow?

By Deanna Easthope
FCSS Director

Here it is December 16 and we don't have our usual several feet/meters of snow on the ground. Why, we don't see the "usual" snowmobiles moving around on fields of white snow. And we don't see kids making snowmen in the yards. And... and... of course we don't see anyone having a friendly snowball fight! So, who did it? Who kidnapped the snow?

Our beginning winter days have been mild, and yes, we have enjoyed this nice mild winter we are having. But, it is different! In previous winters, I

heard several people say, "I've had it with our cold, snowy winters!" "I am leaving this north country" Of course, some of us remember who these people were who left our north country and moved "south" to warmer climates. Now, did they kidnap our snow because they got homesick for the snow?

For those people who are scientists, they will say it is "El Nino's" fault. He did it — kidnapped our snow. Well, are we going to let "him" get away with that? Oh, I guess so... we really don't have a choice, now do we? It has happened. Yes,

"he" is probably the one who kidnapped our snow.

Maybe we can make a compromise. Some snow — OK? "El Nino" has given us some snow... just to make our yards around our homes a little white so we will know it is winter and we can have a "White Christmas!" Why, I guess that will be all right. After all, the theme of the '90s has been "change". And change in the weather is part of it, I guess. So noting is the same as it used to be, not even the weather! How about that? Even "Mother Nature" has had to put in her "two cents" worth.

As Samuel Taylor Coleridge once said: "Advice is like snow: the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon and the deeper it sinks into the mind." Now that is a good snow thought! Do you think "El Nino" is trying to tell us something? Maybe, "he" thought we were becoming too smart up here in the north. Maybe "he" thought we needed to be humbled. It is time to reflect... maybe "he" wants us to say we are sorry for all the complaining we have done about "our cold snowy winters." What do

you think?

One of literature's best-loved characters, Anne of Green Gables, stated: "Looking forward to things is half the pleasure of them." How about that? Looking forward to receiving "our cold snowy winter" is half the pleasure of receiving it.

Now let us assume "El Nino" really did kidnap our snow — then "he" really has allowed our imaginations to work. And... really, this nice mild winter isn't so bad after all, now is it?

Local quilters and crafters share with those individuals less fortunate

In this season when the spirit of gift giving abounds, Elk Point's prolific Wednesday quilting group has sent off a carload of warmth and hope to those less fortunate.

Thirteen quilts and a total of forty "ditty bags" containing grooming aids and other necessities have been sent to the Crisis Centre and the Bissel Centre and another seven quilts are on their way to Ronald McDonald House. Two lap robes have also gone to the Elk Point Health Centre. The ladies have constructed a total of 156 quilts in their three years of sessions, and all have gone to those in need.

The "ditty bags" are much appreciated by men and women alike, and contain such items as brushes and combs, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes and paste, facecloth, facial tissue, nail clippers and files, band-aids, deodorants, notepads, pens and socks, plus, when available, razors, shaving soap, playing cards, cribbage boards, key chains and wallets for the men, and sewing kits, hand lotion, bath beads, makeup, jewellery, mirrors, nail polish, perfume and hair accessories for the ladies. All of these items have been

donated — by the quilting ladies and their friends, by those involved in Further Ed craft classes, and others. As the creation and filling of the bags is an annual event, there is an

ongoing need for donations of these items, Verona Lea Flanders of Further Ed says, and she will accept donations for the bags on behalf of the group at the Further Ed Centre.

*Chamber of Commerce meets
12:00 noon Wednesday,
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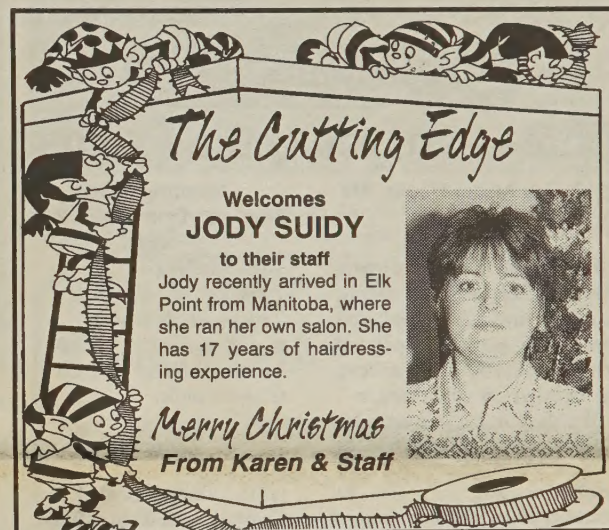
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and help me keep someone alive.
Be my mortal sight this day,
on streets where little children play.
Bless my helper, fast asleep when the night is long,
and keep my cargo safe and sound
through the hours big and round.
Make my judgement sound as steel,
and be my hands upon the wheel.
Bless the travelers going past,
and teach them not to go so fast.
Give me strength for every trip,
so I may care for what they ship.
And make me mindful every mile,
that life is just a little while.

AMEN

— Carlos Lee Akers, Sr.

Nutrition notes

Fibre — are you getting yours?

By Shelley Miller-Hertes, RD
Elk Point Health Centre

Foods high in fibre are being linked to all kinds of health benefits, including reduced blood cholesterol, improved diabetic control, and reduced risk of bowel or colon cancer.

You may think you eat a lot of fibre each day, but chances are you aren't getting enough. Adults should aim for 30 grams of fibre per day, double what the average Canadian eats.

Here's an example of a 30 gram fibre per day menu.

Breakfast	Grams of Fibre
1/2 cup orange juice	0.5
Bowl of bite-size	
shredded wheat cereal	3.2
1 sliced banana	2.4
1/2 cup milk	0

Morning Snack	
Blueberry Bran Muffin	2.9
Lunch	
Tuna Sandwich -	
Tuna	0
2 slices whole wheat	
bread	4.8
1 tomato, sliced	1.8
Glass of milk	0
Pear	4.7

Dinner	
Bowl of chili	
(with kidney beans)	7.1
Crusty bread, 2 slices	0.6
Raw carrot and	
celery sticks	3.0
Glass of milk	0
Apple Crisp, 1/2 cup	3.2
Total fibre for the day:	34.2 grams

As you can see, it is fairly easy to eat 30 grams of fibre a day, and the foods are fairly common, too.

Christmas countdown

Safety tips for a bright holiday season

By TransAlta Utilities
Review contributor

For many, the festive season means decorating the house inside and out — from hanging up the outdoor lights to putting up the holiday tree. While lights add to the wonder of the season, it's important to use them safely. TransAlta offers 12 tips to keep the holidays bright and safe for everyone.

"The most important tip involves inspecting your outdoor and indoor lights before you put them up," says John Hudson, TransAlta's manager of safety operations. "Look through your light sets for any frayed or bare wires, broken sockets and loose connections. If you find any damaged cords, replace the sets with new ones."

Outdoor lights

1. Use insulated staples and light hooks to hold strings of outdoor lights in place. Do not hammer nails or tacks through electric cords.
2. Hang lights downward to keep moisture out of the sockets.
3. Put a timer on your outdoor lights if you're going away for the holidays so lights

aren't left on all day, unattended.

4. Only use outdoor lights for outside the house. Outdoor lights usually have higher wattage and heat up faster, which can be a problem if used indoors.

Holiday trees

5. When choosing a freshly cut tree, make sure the branches and needles are not brittle. A dry tree can become a fire hazard.

6. Remember to water the tree daily and keep the tree away from sources of heat.

7. Make sure all electrical cords are a safe distance from the tree. Don't place cords under rugs, furniture or near the stand where you water the tree.

8. Turn off and unplug indoor lights when retiring for the evening or when leaving home for the holidays.

9. Cover unused sockets with safety caps.

10. Unplug power cord from the outlet before replacing old bulbs.

11. Limit the length of time the lights are on when no one is in the room.

12. Make sure electrical outlets are not overloaded. Too

many plugs and extension cords in a socket can cause electric circuits to fail.

"Finally, ensure sufficient smoke detectors are installed in your home and working properly," says Hudson. "It's easy to get caught up in the holiday spirit and forget about the safety side of the season, but protecting your loved ones is the best gift of all."

Keep your pets safe this holiday season

If a pet is part of your happy festive season, make sure to make the season equally happy for Fluffy or Spot with a simple three-part formula: safety, entertainment and stress avoidance.

Safety involves your Christmas tree. Tinsel tantalizes cats, who may swallow it with fatal results, or at least a far from festive trip to the veterinarian. Anchor your tree both securely to the stand and to the wall. Put any fragile or glass decorations up high, and if your cat is a climber, you may want to forego these altogether. If you have a real tree,

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Report from the Legislature

Protection for persons in care

By Paul Langevin, MLA
Lac La Biche - St. Paul

In January, our province will take a major step forward in protecting the rights of Albertans in care facilities when the Protection for Persons in Care Act comes into effect.

Alberta's hospitals, lodges, licensed group homes and nursing homes become temporary or permanent homes for hundreds of seniors every year. This Act helps to ensure that these Albertans can live in a safe and secure environment.

While I am convinced that Alberta's care facilities are the best in Canada, we still have an obligation to do what we can to protect our most vulnerable citizens from potentially dangerous or abusive situations. The Act identifies many forms of abuse including emotional abuse, such as threatening, humiliating or socially isolat-

ing a person in care, as well as physical abuse, sexual abuse and theft.

The new legislation makes it mandatory for anyone who has reasonable grounds to suspect abuse against a person in care to report it to the police or the government. People who report suspected abuse in good faith are protected from retaliatory action as a result of the complaint.

Beginning January 5, call 1-888-357-9339 toll-free from anywhere in Alberta to report suspected abuse. I'd like to stress that this is not a crisis line. If someone's life or well-being is in immediate danger, call the police. In non-crisis situations, call the toll-free number. Every report of potential abuse will be thoroughly investigated. If criminal activity is suspected, the report will be referred to the police. Otherwise, a report will be made to the government and

appropriate action will be taken based on the investigator's findings.

Over the next few months, we will be taking steps to inform all Albertans about the new legislation and how to report suspected abuse. An information brochure will be available to the public and care staff across the province are already receiving training about their responsibilities under the Act. This will ensure that once the legislation comes into effect, Albertans will be well-informed and ready to help maintain the safety of our care facilities.

Our goal is to protect those individuals who may not be able to protect themselves. In doing so, we can ensure that those in our care facilities are not only given the professional care they deserve, but also the opportunity to live their lives safely and with dignity.

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NEVER TOO OLD TO VISIT WITH SANTA -- These young ladies surrounded the old gent at the Fun Festival to tell him what they'd like to find under their Christmas trees.



HONING UP HIS BOWLING SKILL was the main aim of this young man at the Fun Festival. A fish pond and, of course, skating were the other enjoyable activities of the great afternoon.

Fun Festival Dec. 7 at A.G. Ross Arena



PAINTED LADY -- Desiree Maas decorates one of the young visitors to the Fun Festival with some face painting.

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Community Choir shares the gift of Christmas music

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The quartet of Mueller, Conrad, Townsend and Buryn followed a brief intermission, singing "Not Just Any Night" to a taped accompaniment by George Stratford.

Mueller was joined by Laurie Keichinger for a piano and flute duet on the "Swinging Shepherd Boy Blues", and remained at the keyboard to accompany Linda Peters in her solo of Elton John's moving tribute to the late Princess Diana, "Candle in the Wind 1997."

On a more cheerful note, Mabel Gottenbos, Shirley Krekoski, Harry Peters and Ken Vickery led the audience in a rousing sing-a-long of favorite carols, "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Silent Night" and "Joy to the World."

The choir returned to the stage for their final set, with Udo Mueller on drums and Shane Rebryna on cymbals to accompany "One Star," followed by a unique rendition of "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" which incorporated Vivaldi's "Gloria!" A traditional carol, "The Snow Lay on the Ground" was sung in both English and Latin. "One Small Step" and "Emmanuel Soon Will Appear, with Laurie Keichinger on flute in the latter, wound up the program.

Summoned back by a standing ovation, the choir invited everyone to join in for one final number, "Angels We Have Heard on High."



ELK POINT COMMUNITY CHOIR — conducted by Don Buryn, with Deanna Easthope on piano and Kelsey Mueller as page turner. Front row, left to right: Norma Berg, Iryne Buck, Erica Spoeth, Shaun Sheplaw, Charlie Thomson, Blaine Easthope, Dave Pilisko, Lena Step, Lillian Ewasiuk, Emily Mueller.

Second row, left to right: Cheryl Kurash, Penny Stratford, Gabe Bayduza, Doreen Younghans, Pat Johnson, Shirley Osinchuk, George Sanders, Shane Rebryna, Lawrence Pidluzny, Clem Johnson, Don Conrad, Michele Ducek, Louise Kurash, Jean Vickery, Shirley Krekoski, Mabel Gottenbos.

Third row, left to right: Cheryl Kyle, Marlene Swain, Debbie Lawrence, Lesley Rebryna, Vicki Lumley, Ken Vickery, Rex Cunningham, Harry Peters, Jerome Keichinger, Laurette Bezpalko, Donna Babcock, Paulette Phillips, Patricia Keichinger, Laurie Keichinger.

Fourth row, left to right: Linda Peters, Peggy Adomaitis, Ellen Seward, Shane Rebryna, Garry Townsend, Udo Mueller, Barb Buryn, Dixie McLennan, Gladys Haag. Missing: Neil Salisbury.



THEY SING OF THE STAR — Udo Mueller, Don Conrad, Garry Townsend and Don Buryn told of the "Star of the East."

Wreath and tree auction helps local groups

Four local groups are richer this week as a result of a silent auction of beautifully decorated Christmas decorations which was part of the Elk Point Christmas Extravaganza.

Elk Point Storm Girls Hockey Club's tree was purchased by Greg Muzyka.

The other three groups auctioned wreaths. The Elk Point 4-H Multi Club's wreath went to Lorraine Danyluk, the F. G. Miller French Club wreath went to Tri-K Trenching, and the two wreaths created by the Elk Point Saddle Slickers were bought by Colette Oster and the Elk Point Review.

(In last week's Christmas Extravaganza coverage, the French Club's wreath was identified as belonging to the Figure Skating Club. Our apologies to both groups.)

Retired teachers meet at Riverhurst

By Paul Boisvert
NEARTA

Some 33 members of the Northeast Alberta Retired Teachers' Association (NEARTA) met recently at Riverhurst Hall.

Past President Donna Chamberland reported on a number of items which were discussed and acted upon at the annual general meeting of the Alberta Retired Teachers' Association (ARTA). In addition to the major revamping of the organization's constitution, changes to the insurance plans were also revealed. ARTA has also met and worked with other groups of seniors which share common concerns in attempting to have some impact on decisions made by

the Federal and Provincial governments.

It was brought to the attention of the membership that retired teachers who taught and live in nearby school jurisdictions such as the County of Two Hills, Smoky Lake and Lac La Biche are not part of a branch of ARTA. They will be invited to the next NEARTA meeting in order to determine their interest in becoming members of NEARTA.

The members also thanked Margaret Michaud for her many years as organizer of the annual members tour. Due to other commitments she will no longer be performing this function. Therefore it was decided that commercial touring companies from the area would be invited to submit proposals for

the membership's consideration.

Following a delicious meal prepared by the Riverhurst ladies the members from the Cold Lake area who were responsible for the logistics of this meeting invited those in attendance to enjoy a friendly game of floor curling.

NEARTA's next meeting is scheduled for February 17, 1998 in St. Paul. A member of the provincial executive will be in attendance at this meeting. The featured topic will be a presentation on the implications of preparing for one's "final life celebration."

If you are a retired teacher who is interested in knowing more about NEARTA, please feel free to contact Paul Boisvert at 645-3409.



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SASKATOON

Graduation day for dogs

Another successful nine weeks of basic dog obedience classes concluded November 27 in Elk Point, with Frank Midgley of Marwayne as the instructor.

Achievements of the top canine students were recognized with the presentation of trophies to Sierra, an Australian Red Heeler shown by Chantelle Maas, who marked an excellent 192 out of

200, Lucie, a Retriever shown by Cheryl Kurash, with 187 points and Bandit, a Border Collie shown by Jamie Schnurer, with 185 points, who were first, second and third in the class, respectively. Rascal, an American Cocker Spaniel shown by Lacey Smith, received a trophy for Most Improved. Trophies were sponsored by Quality Time Tours and Fins, Feathers and Furry

Things.

Special thanks to the trophy donors and to Sandy Henderson of Quality Time Tours for her support, cooperation and provision of space to hold the classes.

Another session of obedience training is planned for September 1998. If you are interested, please call Verona Lea at 724-4101 or Hughie at 724-2219.



TOP DOGS — and their handlers at the recent Obedience Class graduation were (left to right) Lucie, shown by Cheryl Kurash, instructor Frank Midgley, Bandit, shown by Jamie Schnurer, Sierra, shown by Chantelle Maas, and Rascal, shown by Lacey Smith. Photo by Hughie Krucik.



Elk Point Saddle Slickers 4-H Light Horse Club news

By Alyssa Fry
Club Reporter

The Elk Point Saddle Slickers had their first 4-H meeting on October 27 at 7 p.m. This year's executive is: President - Joan Wheat, Vice President - Misty Peterson, Secretary - Danielle Schnurer, Treasurer - Ashley Larson, Club Reporter - Alyssa Fry, Parliamentarian - Joann Davies, Historians Jamie Schnurer and Wanda Hanson.

We discussed possible fundraisers for the year. We will once again be doing our

poker rally and highway clean-up. We will be selling the new 4-H cookbooks and we have two wreaths which are being displayed at the Co-op for a silent auction.

We had our first 4-H ride on November 1, we had a fun ride and our second 4-H meeting was held on November 24 at the Dewberry School. We talked about all the things we wanted to do for the year. On November 22 we had an English jumping clinic taught by Susan Misick. It was a beautiful day and we had a won-

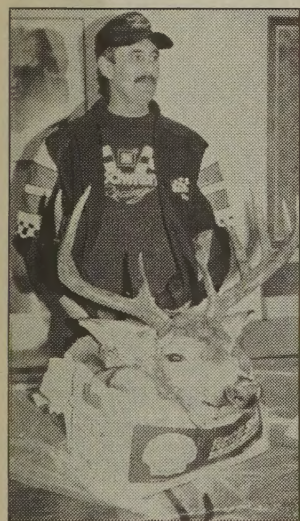
derful time.

Out next ride will be December 20. There will be no 4-H meeting in December.

January 2 is planned for our cross country ski trip at Whitney Lake, we will also be having our Christmas party at that time. On January 3, we will have another 4-H ride. If you are interested in joining our 4-H horse club, our leader's name is Daphne Schnurer at 724-4206.

Merry Christmas.

(Editor's Note: The Jumping Clinic was a big success, with 16 participants. Unfortunately, our pictures did not turn out. Our apologies.)



Some Buck!

BIGGEST BUCK -- Darryle Molineux brought in the biggest buck to E-Can Oilfield Services employees and spouses Big Buck Contest. His deer had a Boone and Crockett score of 143.0, just ahead of Walt Czuroski with 141 3/8. Jeff Moore, in third place, brought in a 139.0 rack. Donna Ockerman won the spouses' division.

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Keep your pets safe

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over the water well with tin-foil, because tree water can be toxic to pets. Remember that chocolate is another no-no for pets, as well as turkey bones.

Entertainment shouldn't just be for the humans in your house. New toys for pets will help them avoid the shut-in blues, and give them some much needed exercise. If you store kitty's ball in a container of catnip between playtimes, she'll enjoy it even more. Remove toy parts that can easily be pulled off and swallowed, and check for loose string or thread which could harm the intestines if swallowed.

Stress avoidance is important for all of us at this time of

year, but remember that pets don't necessarily enjoy parties and company. Make sure your pet has a safe and quiet place to which to retreat when it gets tired of the crowd scene, and if your pet isn't the kind who enjoys being handled by other people, make sure your guests know the rules. Let the animal be in charge of who she goes up to and how much excitement she can take, otherwise your guests may have scratches or toothmarks as a souvenir of their visit.

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What's news at the library?

Top ten list of Christmas trivia (or, "Gee, I didn't know that!")

By Michele Ducek
Librarian

I thought long and hard about what to write about this Christmas and, inspired by the Christmas quiz in last week's paper, I decided to do a top ten list of Christmas trivia. Here goes:

TOP TEN LIST OF CHRISTMAS TRIVIA OR, "GEE, I DIDN'T KNOW THAT!"

(all trivia found at the library)

1. Three short years after Edison first demonstrated his electric light bulb, a vice-president of the Edison Electric Company had a custom-made string of 80 little colored bulbs adorning the tree in his New York City mansion — the first

electric Christmas lights.

2. St. Francis of Assisi popularized creches (recreations of the Nativity scene) in 1223 when he set up a manger scene at Greccio and celebrated mass there on Christmas Eve.

3. Nearly every country and culture that celebrates Christmas has the custom of hanging stockings on Christmas Eve, or some variation of the custom. In France and Holland, slippers and shoes are left by the hearth to be filled with presents.

4. In 1843, Sir Henry Cole, director of a London museum, had no time to write the many Christmas wishes he wanted to send. He commissioned an artist to draw a scene that showed Cole's feelings about

the season, along with a brief message, and had this printed and made into cards. Cole had 1000 cards printed. Those he didn't use he had a shop sell for a shilling apiece. Thus the first Christmas card was born.

5. In 1659, the Puritans in America enacted a law imposing a fine on anyone caught celebrating Christmas.

6. The poinsettia is named for Dr. Joel Roberts Poinsett, an American diplomat, who so admired the plants used in Christmas displays while ambassador to Mexico that he brought cuttings home in the 1820s.

7. December 25 was first mentioned as the birth date of Jesus in A.D. 336 in an early Roman calendar.

8. The tradition of using Xmas instead of Christmas began in the early Christian church. In Greek, "X" is the first letter of Christ's name and was frequently used as a holy symbol.

9. The word carol comes from a Greek dance called a choraulein. Most of the Christmas carols sung today were originally composed in the 1700s and 1800s.

10. Mistletoe is the state flower of Oklahoma. (Not really Christmas trivia but an interesting fact nonetheless.)

LIBRARY CALENDAR

Fridays, 10:30 a.m. — Storytime. Everyone welcome.

December 23 - 27 — Library closed for Christmas

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Minor Hockey news

By Doug Bassett

Elk Point Minor Hockey / Minor Ball

Once upon a time, in a small town, a man had a dream: to build a midget baseball diamond and to host a midget baseball provincials. Does this sound like "a field of dreams?" Well, maybe it is, and it is true. Elk Point Minor Ball received the official word this past week, that they will host the 1998 Midget "A" Baseball Provincial Finals on July 24, 25 and 26. Eight of the best midget baseball teams in the province will be here in July competing for the gold.

OK, I know it's hockey season, but have you seen the money they are paying these baseball guys, and the contracts they are signing lately? It makes you wonder why all those dads (myself included, of course) are so hung up about getting their sons into the N.H.L. Maybe they should be looking at the major league baseball!

And here's another dream come true. Gillian Cousins had a phone call on Monday morning from her baby sister. Great news. Fiona Smith from Edam, Saskatchewan made the Women's Olympic Hockey team. This girl's only 5'2" and 120 lbs. and plays defence. All that hard work and training has paid off. Now that's what you call commitment. Way to go, Fiona!

And speaking of girls hockey, our very own girls team, the Storm, had a big 5 to 1 win in Redwater on Sunday. A hat trick for team captain Kandice Bjornstad and singles for sisters Chandra and Brandy

Jackson. The Jackson sisters, who moved to St. Paul from Ottawa, are a nice addition to the Storm, after signing up two weeks ago.

The Bantam Lightning did an outstanding job of hosting a six team tournament this past weekend. And wouldn't you know it, those Kitscoty Bulldogs did it again and won the "A" final over Lloydminster. The Lightning, after losing out in round robin, defeated Cold Lake 5 to 3 in the consolation.

The Novice Hurricanes, who are on a hot streak lately, won their third game in a row, when they defeated Saddle Lake on Sunday. With a very short bench, and only eight players in the lineup, defence-man Chris Proski logged lots of ice time and played excellently, protecting his goalie. A nice goal for Cody Wickham, who normally plays defence, but was moved to the forward line for this game. Karly Shankowski, who has been playing great all year, was given the third star of the game.

Nothing flashy, just team effort, was how Dave Cousins' Atom Avalanche played up in Bonnyville on Saturday, winning 8 to 5.

Starting on Friday night, playing on the road in Smoky

Lake, the Pee wee Blades, playing in game two of the round robin for Winter Games, won 6-3, winning the series. A good game for Mark Letestu, who has some great speed and a great shot. Goalie Brandon Parenteau stood on his head and made some outstanding saves late in the game for the Blades.

With the big win on Friday night setting the tone for the weekend, the Blades played in a tournament in Two Hills, Saturday and Sunday, winning the "A" side after defeating St. Paul, Viking and then Kikino in

the final. A strong skater, who also gets strong in front of the net, Kevin Moneta, racked up the points. Another guy who never gets enough recognition, and is one of the toughest along the boards, is rugged winger Kyle Nielsen who also played great all weekend.

Coming up this week on Thursday night, December 18 at 7:30 p.m. there is a **minor hockey general meeting**. Everyone is welcome so try to attend. And that's all for now. Until next week, be nice and remember, Santa's watching you!



BULLDOGS WIN BANTAM TOURNAMENT -- Kitscoty Bulldogs broke a 3-3 tie with Lloydminster with 1:37 left in the final period and added two more before the final bell to win the six team tournament hosted by Elk Point Bantam Lightning this weekend.

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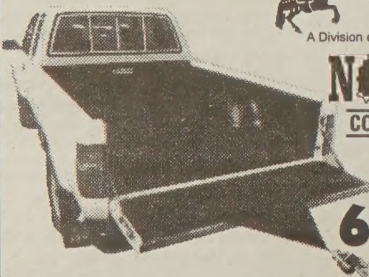


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